17

automatically dialed through the modem 322 and NCU 324, and two-way connection is made with the response server 340 through telephone circuit 330 (step S17). Specified information is acquired automatically from the response server 340 through the telephone circuit 330 (step S18). For 5 example, when the terminal is the data broadcast receiving apparatus 102a, it is connected with the response server 103a of city office a through the telephone circuit 104a from the modem 322 and NCU 324, and the information of the escape destination of the region is obtained from the 10 response server 103a. When the terminal is the data broadcast receiving apparatus 102b, it is connected with the response server 103bof city office b through the telephone circuit 104b, and the information of the escape destination of the region is obtained from the response server 103b. The 15 information obtained through the telephone circuit and NCU 324 and modem 322 is stored in the RAM 313, and the CPU 311 controls the display control unit 318 to display in the display unit 319.

If the connection command (emergency code) is not 20 contained, it means a request not requiring urgency. In this case, the information presented from the response server is the local news, guide, event, weather forecast, etc. At this time, the user judges if the connection request is issued from the operation input unit 320 by remote control (step S16). 25 Not always dialing automatically, if not urgent, presence or absence of instruction of connection request by user is judged, so that unnecessary information is not acquired automatically, so that wasteful spending is saved. When the connection is requested by the user, the telephone number is  $^{30}$ read out from the RAM 313, and is dialed automatically through the modem 322 and NCU 324, and two-way connection is made with the response server 340 through the telephone circuit 330 (step S17). From the response server news, guide, event, weather forecast and other information are acquired automatically through the telephone circuit 330 (step S18). The local information transmitted from the response server may be picture only, but it is preferred to send out both picture and voice in case of emergency.

As a specific example of emergency, suppose an earthquake occurs. In the event of an earthquake, the broadcasting station broadcasts data in the combination of city office ID number telephone number and information item superposed on the television broadcast. The data is decoded in the individual data broadcast receiving apparatuses 102a, 102b, 102c, . . . The data broadcast receiving apparatus 102abelonging to city office a stores the telephone number of city office a. The data broadcast receiving apparatus 102b belonging to city office b stores the telephone number of city 50 office b. The data broadcast receiving apparatus 102c belonging to city office c stores the telephone number of city office c. The data broadcast receiving apparatus 102a automatically dials the response server 103a of city office a, and automatically acquires the information of escape destination 55 and escape route of the district from the response server 103a through the telephone circuit 104a.

Similarly, the data broadcast receiving apparatus 102b automatically dials the response server 103b of city office b, and automatically acquires the information of escape desti18

nation and escape route of the district from the response server 103b through the telephone circuit 104b. The data broadcast receiving apparatus 102c automatically dials the response server 103c of city office c, and automatically acquires the information of escape destination and escape route of the district from the response server 103c through the telephone circuit 104c.

The emergency notice information includes, aside from the escape destination and escape route, the time and place of service of water supply car, and time of food distribution. The information not requiring emergency includes the office hours of public institutes, newly purchased books in city library, and many others.

As the operation example, other example may be considered. That is, in case of emergency, if the power source of the data broadcast receiving apparatus is turned off, it is turned on by force, and the emergency information is transmitted securely.

Thus, according to the data broadcast receiving apparatus of the embodiment, various local data and individual data (information specific to age or sex, personal hobby or special information, brand preference information, etc.) are broadcast, and when the local data and individual data of the district of the specific data broadcast receiving apparatus are broadcast, the individual information may be acquired easily by automatically dialing the response server presenting the more specific regional information about the data, or the response server presenting more specific information about the one's own purpose.

In case of emergency, the response server is automatically dialed, and the local information can be acquired automati-

If not urgent, the individual information is acquired only 340, accordingly, the specified information, that is, the local 35 when the user wishes to acquire, and useless information is not obtained, and wasteful spending is saved.

What is claimed is:

1. A data broadcast receiving apparatus for receiving a television broadcast signal with a data broadcast signal 40 superposed thereon comprising:

data broadcast decoding means for extracting from the data broadcast signal a first main information signal and a first auxiliary information signal, respectively,

display means for displaying at least one of the television broadcast signal and the data broadcast signal,

interface means for receiving a second main information signal and a second auxiliary information signal from an external device connected to a telephone circuit, and control means for:

- a)processing at least one of the first main information signal and the second main information signal from said data broadcast decoding means and said interface means, respectively, and
- b) controlling at least one of said display means, said interface means, and said data broadcast decoding

responsive to at least one of the first auxiliary information signal and second auxiliary information signal.